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ON MEXICAN PERCEPTIONS OF THE U.S.

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THE PROPOSED SEMINAR CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN CREATING A GREATER AWARENESS OF THE PROBLEMS WHICH CONFRONT OUR TWO NATIONS AND LEAD TO A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS WHICH AFFECT OUR RELATIONS. THE AMBASSADOR AND HIS COLLEAGUES WISH TO EXTEND TO THE COUNCIL THEIR WISHES FOR COMPLETE SUCCESS WITH THE SEMINAR.

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